

ABSTRACT
BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE SYSTEM

The present invention relates to business
5 intelligence systems. An enterprise's business
intelligence may be embodied in business intelligence
artefacts such as reports, queries, analytical documents,
spreadsheets, etc. Over time, many of these documents are
produced. The same artefacts may be produced by different
10 departments in an enterprise. This is an inefficient use
of resources. Further, when a user is producing an
artefact, they add their own knowledge to the artefact (in
the form of table names, column names, etc, that they have
selected themselves using their business knowledge). This
15 knowledge is not accessible.

The present invention provides a system and method
which enables this knowledge to be accessed, by analysing
the artefacts which are produced by an enterprise and
producing metadata which can be queried to access the
20 knowledge locked up in the artefacts.